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### ***Vendors Sought For Crown Point's First Annual Winter Market***

### **Market Features Free Evening "Griswold" Holiday Light Trolley Tours**

**Crown Point...**Mayor Uran's Office of Special Events is proud to announce the first annual Winter Market set for Saturday, Dec. 12 from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. at the Crown Point Civic Center, 101 S. East St.; in the event of extremely inclement winter weather, the market and light tours will take place on Saturday, Dec. 19.

The grand Winter Market, an offshoot of the Annual Farmers Market, is a brand new event where attendees can shop for holiday crafts, Mary Kay, other home companies, homemade jams and food items, Labriola holiday breads, seasonal coffees, local honey, artisan soaps and so much more in the warmth of the holiday decorated Civic Center.

The 8x3foot vendor space includes a holiday atmosphere, electric hook-up and table set-up for a rental fee of \$35 for Crown Point Corporate City Limit businesses & residents and also non-profit organizations with a valid 501C3 status. Businesses and vendors outside of Crown Point Corporate City Limits will be charged a rental fee of \$50. All fees collected will be subject to 7% sales tax and all proceeds from the Winter Market are dedicated to advertise and operate the market and additional winter programs.

Vendors are currently being accepted to participate in the market by contacting either Jennifer Young, director of special events, or Laura Janowski, special events assistant/special projects coordinator at (219) 662-3290.

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The Winter Market is also the docking station for the “Griswold” Tour of Lights, where visitors will be able to view the festive decorations and lights in Crown Point aboard Molley the Trolley during the City’s first annual tour which begins at dusk, or 5 to 9 p.m. Each tour accommodates 32 people and will last approximately 15 minutes. Tour goers will have the opportunity to vote on the best light display, which will be dubbed the “Griswold” home for 2009 at the January City Council Meeting. Due to limited space, tours are on a first come, first served basis and group reservations are required by calling the Mayor’s Office of Special Events.

The office is additionally seeking Crown Point residents that would like to be in the running for the “Griswold” Award. Interested parties are required to have their light displays ready from 4-10 p.m. on Dec. 12 and Dec. 19. While it is free to be a stop on the tour, residents must register their homes by calling the Mayor’s Office of Special Events at (219) 662-3290 by Dec. 10, 2009.

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